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## **New Director Appointed by Governor**

Lloyd Throne has been appointed director of the Department of Community Services and Development by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, the Governor's Office announced on Friday.

"With Lloyd's innovative leadership, the Redwood Community Action Agency received statewide recognition for quality programs serving diverse and low-income communities," said Governor Schwarzenegger. "I welcome him to my Administration so he can continue his work assisting at-risk Californians achieve self-sufficiency."

Mr. Throne has been the Executive Director of the Redwood Community Action Agency since June 1985 and has more than 38 years experience in administration of both public and private non-profit human service programs. The Redwood Community Action Agency has been recognized as a model for innovative, cost-effective, and well-managed programs with more than 165 programs, and an annual budget of \$18 million.

"It is with great anticipation that I look forward to working with this Administration, the Department of Health and Human Services, the staff at CSD, and the many successful grantees of this department to improve the lives of at-risk Californians," said Mr. Throne. "As an Executive Director of three local agencies over three decades, I bring an intimate knowledge of the issues that face the agencies in our State."

Mr. Throne has extensive administrative and management experience with the federal government and Colorado and California state governments, including nine years as the Administrator for Denver Opportunity, an urban human service non-profit agency, where he worked closely with an 18-person board of directors. He was Executive Director for the Boulder County Economic Development Council, Inc. when it offered the first HeadStart and HeadStart Follow Through program in the United States.

A (former) Board Member of the California Community Economic Development Association (CCEDA) and the Board of Directors of the National Community Action Foundation (NCAF), Mr. Throne has also served as an Executive Committee Member of CALNEVA, and on the Humboldt County Homeless Task Force, the Economic Development Task Force and the Disaster Assistance Task Force for the County.

Mr. Throne received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Colorado University, Bolder, and attended the Graduate School of Community Development, University of Missouri. He served in the Peace Corps as a member of the first rural Peace Corps to be sent to Colombia, South America.

His interests include cycling, kayaking and travel.